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MEMORANDUM FOR: A	N11 FBIS Employees
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FROM:

Director, FBIS

SUBJECT:

FBIS Move to Reston

- 1. The Agency Executive Committee has decided that FBIS will move to a building in the Reston area. While a location on the Metro would have been better for more FBIS personnel there are compelling reasons for the decision.
- 2. It is now apparent that most of the DS&T and DA will not fit into the new building at Langley. Senior agency management sees significant cost savings and security benefits from putting virtually all of these offices in a single area, which would form a second agency compound. To create such a compound, a large amount of land would be needed. In addition, financial constraints on the Agency are rapidly becoming more obvious in the outyears, and the EXCOM felt that they must make lease costs a major factor in their decision.
- 3. It turned out that rental costs at the Vienna site and others in the Metro corridor were far higher than costs out the Dulles Access corridor. In addition, the amount of space required was not available quickly in the Metro corridor, where many of the larger developments are tied up in zoning fights.
- 4. Of particular relevance to the FBIS move was the desire on the part of all concerned with FBIS modernization to avoid putting the new system into Key Building only to move it within a couple of years. This might have resulted in cost escalations that endangered the ability of FBIS to complete the system as planned. Agency management agreed that FBIS should move quickly, and decided that FBIS should be the first office to move to the new center. We hope to be joined by other components fairly quickly.

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- 5. I realize that the Reston location will cause hardship and inconvenience to many of you. We are working with the Office of Logistics to see whether there are ways in which we can make the transition easier and less traumatic. We must also work together to see how we can help each other through carpools and vanpools.
- 6. An FBIS Space committee, with representatives from each group, will soon begin planning for the move. We shall try to keep everyone informed and solicit your views as plans become more concrete. At this stage none of us has even seen the proposed site, but I am assured that parking is ample for everyone. And while I will not vouch for quality, there is a cafeteria in the building.

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